

In Loving Memory of

A portrait of Anna Maria Lowell, an elderly woman with dark skin, wearing a pink and white striped shawl over a pink top, a silver necklace, and a dark, textured head covering. She is set against a background of large, soft-focus pink and yellow roses.

Anna Maria Lowell

Sunrise
September 17, 1918

Sunset
November 14, 2014

Service

Thursday, November 20, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.

ST. MARK'S EVANGELIST CHURCH

65 W. 138th Street • New York, NY

Obituary

Ms. Elodia Howell, members of the Howell family and friends: Today we say goodbye to Anna Maria Howell the middle child of Fritz and Laura Tuitt. We will all miss their daughter, Anna who was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, auntie, friend and servant to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Anna was born September 17, 1918 and passed away quietly in her sleep on November 14, 2014. Born in Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands; Anna came to New York at an early age and attended the New York Public School system. Upon completion of her education Anna worked as an Administrative Clerk and was a member of Local 132. In 1942, Anna married the love of her life, Godfrey Howell with whom she would raise three children (two sons and one daughter): Melvin (deceased), Leslie (deceased) and Elodia Howell. Anna and Godfrey's union would allow them to share forty-two years together until his passing in 1987.

Anna was the middle child who lived to see her two siblings, Cecelia and Wally pass on leaving her to become the matriarch and rock of her family. With this spirit of resilience the family would witness Anna's strength and faith after losing her two sons, Melvin and Leslie.

It is such devastating life events that could have broken a weak woman, but Anna never succumb to neither anger nor bitterness. Instead, she lived a rich and rewarding life that would see her reach 96 years of age.

Life and love endures all things and Anna remained joyful, pleasant, outgoing and a loyal follower of Jesus Christ and His word. Anna (who I always called Grandma Anna) was well-regarded for her work as a seamstress, loved to dance to all music with a fondness for Calypso and valued spending time with her family. I, personally, have many fond memories of Grandma Anna and Aunt Cecelia dancing at family gatherings.

Anna was the mother who loved and cared for not only her own three children but all the children in the family. Anna celebrated birthdays, baby showers, graduations and weddings—stuck by everyone's side during difficult times and did it all with grace and a smile. Anna's unwavering love for her family was obvious to anyone in her presence.

If you look around the room at the people who are here this evening you will see how Anna lived. This is her legacy.

We are not sad today because Anna has passed. We are sad because we will no longer be able to witness or feel her love and kindness in the family and in this world.

Anna Maria Howell has gone home now to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and with those she has lost. While leaving us who grieve her passing with loving memories to last for a lifetime.

Anna Maria Howell is survived by: her only daughter, Elodia Howell; grandson, Melvin Lucas-Howell; niece, Beverly Tuitt; nephew, Kenneth Howard; great-nephew, Tyrice Conway; daughter-in-law, Katie Lucas-Howell; grandchildren, Kevin Michael Houston, Wayne Lucas-Howell, Ecedro Lucas-Howell, Demetrius Lucas-Howell, Ghaliyah Lucas-Howell, Tory Howell, Tremel Howell, Taren Howell and Javon Howell. In addition, Anna's rich life has blessed her to witness the birth and upbringing of **twenty-one** great-nieces and nephews, and **twenty-five** great-grandchildren.

May God Bless Anna Maria Howell and may she rest in eternal peace.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery
Calverton, New York

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.*

-Helen Lowrie Marshall

Acknowledgement

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May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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